



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: June 3, 2014

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable John Quincy, Chair Ways and Means

Subject: **Central Corridor LRT Project: Operation and Maintenance Agreements and Subordinate Funding Agreements.**

Recommendation:

- a.) Authorize the proper City Officials to execute the Central Corridor Green Line Operation and Maintenance Agreement for University areas with the University of Minnesota, Hennepin County and the Metropolitan Council.
- b.) Authorize the proper City Officials to negotiate and execute a Central Corridor Green Line Operation and Maintenance Agreement for non-University areas with Hennepin County and the Metropolitan Council.
- c.) Authorize the proper City Officials to execute Amendment 2 to Subordinate Funding Agreement 5 with the Metropolitan Council.
- d.) Authorize the proper City Officials to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 24 with the Metropolitan Council.

Previous Directives:

- April 15, 2014: Authorized proper City Officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 23.
- January 28, 2014: Authorized proper City Officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 21 and amendments to Subordinate Funding Agreements 5 and 18.
- June 18, 2013: Authorized proper City Officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 22 with the Metropolitan Council.
- May 15, 2012: Authorized the proper City officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 19 and Amendment No 1 to Subordinate Funding Agreement 6 with the Metropolitan Council.
- April 27, 2012: Authorized the proper City officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreement 18 and Amendment No 1 to Subordinate Funding Agreement 11 with the Metropolitan Council.
- April 27, 2012: RESOLUTION 2012R-239 Amending The 2012 Capital Improvement Appropriation Resolution Agreement 11 with the Metropolitan Council.
- March 8, 2012: Authorized the proper City officers to execute Subordinate Funding Agreements 16 and 17 with the Metropolitan Council
- ***See Attachment for directives prior to 2012***

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Financial Impact

Action is within current department budget

Community Impact:

City Goals:

- Neighborhood Notification: The Central Corridor Project Office is working regularly with the neighborhoods impacted by the project through a Community Advisory Committee, and a Business Advisory Committee, as well by holding various meetings with individual neighborhoods, residents and business groups.
- A Safe Place to Call Home: the city's infrastructure will be well-maintained; people will feel safe in the city.
- Connected Communities: Connected network of Transportation Options.
- Comprehensive Plan: The Comprehensive Plan is being met.
- Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project will construct an 11-mile LRT line between Minneapolis and St Paul. The Project is scheduled to be complete in 2014, with service beginning June 14.

Construction, operation, and maintenance of the Central Corridor LRT require coordination of certain activities and materials between the University of Minnesota, Metropolitan Council, Hennepin County and the City of Minneapolis in order to preserve and protect public infrastructure.

Operation and Maintenance Agreements

Operation and maintenance responsibilities within the corridor are shared between property owners (University of Minnesota), road authorities (Hennepin County, City of Minneapolis) and the Light Rail system operator (Metropolitan Council). The Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreements will clarify the roles and responsibilities of each entity. Two O&M agreements are proposed; one for University areas and one for non-University areas.

University Areas

The agreement for University areas (attached) clarifies O&M responsibilities and procedures for pavements, sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, snow and ice control, and other anticipated tasks. The focus of the agreement is the Washington Avenue transit and pedestrian mall.

Recommendation:

Public Works requests authorization for the proper City Officials to execute the Central Corridor Green Line University Area Operation and Maintenance Agreement with the University of Minnesota, Hennepin County and the Metropolitan Council.

Non-University Areas

The agreement for non-University areas will clarify O&M responsibilities and procedures for pavements, sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, snow and ice control and other anticipated tasks within non-University areas. The focus of the agreement is University Avenue from 29th Avenue to the eastern city limit.

Recommendation

Public Works requests authorization for the proper City Officials to negotiate and execute the Central Corridor Green Line non-University Area Operation and Maintenance Agreement with Hennepin County and the Metropolitan Council.

Subordinate Funding Agreements

The Master Funding Agreement (MFA) between the Metropolitan Council and the City outlines a process to enter into subordinate funding agreements (SFA's) to account for costs associated with the project.

SFA 5 and Amendment 1 to SFA 5 provides for the Metropolitan Council to reimburse the City an amount not to exceed \$146,000 for staff time, material and equipment costs incurred by the City for work on the water supply distribution system to accommodate the Central Corridor LRT Green Line. Amendment 2 increases SFA 5 by \$585. SFA 24 is for the City of Minneapolis to reimburse the Metropolitan Council \$48,100 for 13 traffic control components that are no longer needed.

Recommendation:

Public Works requests authorization for the proper City officials to execute Amendment 2 to SFA 5 and Amendment 24 with the Metropolitan Council.

Attachments:

- Directives Prior to 2012
- O&M Agreement For University Areas
- Amendment 2 to SFA 5
- SFA 24

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